

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
LAFAYETTE PARKING COMMISSION
October 18, 2010
11:00 am**

ATTENDANCE

COMMISSIONERS: John Metzinger; Donald J Teder, Bob Carpenter, Cindy Murray

STAFF: Dennis Carson; Margy Deverall; Dan Walker; Nancy Hendricks

GUESTS: Max Smith, City of Lafayette Traffic Department; and Amanda Hamon (*Journal & Courier*)

President John Metzinger opened the meeting of the Lafayette Parking Commission.

Approve minutes of the July 19, 2010 meeting

Cindy Murray moved to approve the minutes for the July 19, 2010 meeting. Donald J Teder seconded. The motion passed.

Request for on-street bike rack across from Renaissance Place

This request came from the Redevelopment staff regarding the encouragement for use of bicycle transportation in the Downtown area. The recommendation included the use of a non-utilized parking space on the north side of Main Street between 3rd and 2nd Streets. Under the current conditions there exists a no parking yellow zone that extends far beyond the normal restrictions surrounding a fire hydrant. By reducing the yellow zone to the standard measurements an additional space becomes available.

After much discussion about the usability, aesthetic issues, and the desire to support alternative transportation, Cindy Murray reminded the Commissioners and staff that if it didn't work out after a year of trial, the rack could be removed. Cindy Murray then moved to approve the request to establish one bicycle stall in the on-street "no parking" zone on the north side of Main Street, between 2nd and 3rd Streets. John Metzinger seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Due to the absence of a bicycle parking policy, staff agreed to research issues such as abandoned bicycles, time limitations, and bicycle registration in an initial attempt to establish procedure and keep control on unsightly conditions.

Request for handicap space on the east side of N. 22nd Street (in front of 2219 N.22nd)

Dennis Carson explained that this request had come to our office from a person wanting improvements to the use of residential parking. Wendy Watson, the requestor, was not present and it was noted that there was ample access to the residence from the back of the property.

Cindy Murray moved to deny the request. Donald J Teder seconded. The motion passed.

Director's Report

Dennis Carson reported that the downtown parking limit signs where changes occur are now being installed.

Public Comment and Adjournment

Don Teder expressed concerns regarding the parking and traffic conditions at the intersection of Erie and Ferry Streets. After discussion, Dennis Carson recommended that the issue be investigated by staff and by the engineering department.

John Metzinger moved to adjourn. Don Teder seconded. The meeting adjourned.

*Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Hendricks
Recording Secretary*

Signed,

Lafayette Parking Commissioner